

STATE OF MICHIGAN BUREAU OF STATE LOTTERY LANSING



SENIOR CITIZENS ORGANIZATION QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

Please allow at least 4 weeks for the qualification process.

If the organization has never submitted qualifying information as a senior citizens organization, the following information shall be submitted prior to being approved to conduct a bingo, millionaire party, raffle, charity game, or numeral game.

- 1. A <u>signed and dated</u> copy of the organization's current bylaws or constitution.
- 2. A complete copy of the organization's Articles of Incorporation that have been filed with the Corporations and Securities Bureau, if the organization is incorporated.

Note: The bylaws, constitution, or Articles of Incorporation must indicate the organization exists for the mutual support and advancing the causes of elderly or retired persons.

- 3. A provision in the bylaws, constitution, or Articles of Incorporation that all assets, and real and personal property will revert to the local government or another nonprofit organization should the organization dissolve.
- 4. A copy of the letter from the IRS stating the organization is exempt from federal tax under IRS code 501(c)

OR copies of one bank statement per year for the previous five years, excluding the current year.

5. A letter signed by an officer of the organization verifying the organization contains at least 15 members that are 60 years of age or older.

Additional information may be requested after the initial documents submitted have been reviewed. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call our office at (517) 335-1159.

Act 382 of the Public Acts of 1972, as amended, defines a senior citizen organization as "an organization within this state, not for pecuniary profit, which consists of at least 15 members who are 60 years of age or older and exists for their mutual support and advancing the causes of elderly or retired persons."